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Serial No. 10/034589

PATENT

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL AND FEE
AUTHORIZATION**

Applicant: Kuehn, et al

Examiner: Aaron F. Roane

Serial No.: 10/034589

Group Art Unit: 3739

Filed: December 28, 2001

Docket No.: 01610.0072-US-01

Title: ANNULOPLASTY RING HOLDER

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.10:

'Express Mail' mailing number: EV 314775636 US

Date of Deposit: February 24, 2004

The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper or fee, as described herein, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service 'Express Mail Post Office To Addressee' service under 37 CFR 1.10 and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

By: *Cheryl L. Millman*
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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1. This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

2. The following are submitted under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

a. Previously Submitted

Amendment/Reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on December 23, 2003
 Appeal Brief previously filed on
 Reply Brief previously filed on
 Other

b. Enclosed

Amendment Accompanying Request for Continued Examination Under 37 CFR § 1.114
 Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 Information Disclosure Statement
 Petition for Extension of Time
 Other: Fee Calculation Sheet

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3. Miscellaneous

a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of months.
b. Other:

4. Fees

a. Check(s) for required fees

1. Check in the amount of \$770.00 for RCE filing fee.
2. Check in the amount of for request for suspension of action
3. Check in the amount of \$420.00 for an Extension of Time
4. Other:

b. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account number 50-1038. A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed.

1. The RCE fee of required under 37 CFR 1.17(e).
2. The request for suspension of action
3. The Extension of Time for months
4. Other:

c. Payment is made via credit card. (Form PTO-2038 is enclosed)

d. Authorization is hereby given to charge any fees that relate to the filing of this RCE and are necessary to avoid abandonment of this application, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account Number 50-1038. If an extension of time for replying is necessary, the undersigned hereby petitions therefor.

Respectfully submitted,

Altera Law Group, LLC
Customer No. 22865

Date: February 24, 2004

By: Hallie A. Finucane
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FEES CALCULATION

CLAIMS AS AMENDED					
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fees
Total Claims	21	21	0	X \$18.00	\$ 0.00
Indep. Claims	2	3	0	X \$86.00	\$ 0.00
Multiply Dependent Claims					\$ 0.00
RCE Filing Fee					\$770.00
					TOTAL FEES \$770.00

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PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD

Effective October 1, 2001

Application or Docket Number

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CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

(Column 1)

(Column 2)

TOTAL CLAIMS		
FOR: <i>RCE/A</i>	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
TOTAL CHARGEABLE CLAIMS	21 minus 21 = *	
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	2 minus 3 = *	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT		<input type="checkbox"/>

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

(Column 1)

(Column 2)

(Column 3)

AMENDMENT A	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
	Minus	**	=
Total	*		
Independent	*	Minus	***
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			<input type="checkbox"/>

SMALL ENTITY
TYPE

OTHER THAN
OR SMALL ENTITY

RATE	Fee
BASIC FEE	370.00
X\$ 9=	
X42=	
+140=	
TOTAL	

RATE	Fee
BASIC FEE	770.00
X\$18=	
X84=	
+280=	
TOTAL	770.00

SMALL ENTITY

OTHER THAN
OR SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=	
X42=	
+140=	
TOTAL ADDT. FEE	

AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
	Minus	**	=
Total	*		
Independent	*	Minus	***
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			<input type="checkbox"/>

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=	
X42=	
+140=	
TOTAL ADDT. FEE	

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X\$18=	
X84=	
+280=	
TOTAL ADDT. FEE	

AMENDMENT C	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
	Minus	**	=
Total	*		
Independent	*	Minus	***
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			<input type="checkbox"/>

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=	
X42=	
+140=	
TOTAL ADDT. FEE	

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X\$18=	
X84=	
+280=	
TOTAL ADDT. FEE	

* If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3.

** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20."

*** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3."

The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in column 1.